This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. A method of detecting SCoV antibodies in a patient sample comprising:
  - a) contacting said patient sample with one or more SCoV antigenic peptides selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 5, 7, 9, and 12 or immunologically functional analogues thereof selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, and 15 under conditions conducive to binding; and
  - b) measuring binding between said patient sample and said SCoV antigenic peptides or immunologically functional analogues thereof;

wherein detection of binding between said patient sample and said SCoV antigenic peptides or immunologically functional analogues thereof indicates the presence of SCoV antibodies in said patient sample.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein said one or more SCoV antigenic peptides or immunologically functional analogues thereof are attached to a solid phase prior to contact with said patient sample.
- 3. The method of claim 1 wherein said patient sample is selected from the group consisting of blood, serum, plasma, saliva, urine, mucus, fecal matter, and tissue extract.
- 4. A method of detecting SCoV antibodies in a patient sample comprising:
  - a) contacting said patient sample with one or more immunologically functional analogues of any of the SCoV antigenic peptides selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1, 5, 7, 9, and 12 under conditions conducive to binding, wherein said on or more immunologically functional comprises one or more of the following modifications when compared to said SCoV antigenic peptides:
  - i) a deletion of 10 amino acids or less at the N-terminus or C-terminus;
  - ii) an addition of 15 amino acids or less at the N-terminus or C-terminus;
  - iii) one or more conservative substitutions;

- iv) an addition of a branched structure at the C-terminus;
- v) covalent attachment to another moiety;
- vi) an altered charge; and
- vii) one or more conservative or non-conservative substitutions such that the sequence of said immunologically functional analogue is the sequence of a strain of SCoV other than the Tor2 isolate of SCoV; and
- b) measuring binding between said patient sample and said immunologically functional analogues;

wherein detection of binding between said patient sample and said immunologically functional analogues indicates the presence of SCoV antibodies in said patient sample.

- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein said one or more SCoV antigenic peptides or immunologically functional analogues thereof are attached to a solid phase prior to contact with said patient sample.
- 6. The method of claim 4 wherein said patient sample is selected from the group consisting of blood, serum, plasma, saliva, urine, mucus, fecal matter, and tissue extract.
- 7. A peptide selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NOS: 1-15.
- 8. (cancelled)
- 9. (cancelled)
- 10. (cancelled)
- 11. An immunologically functional analogue of an SCoV antigenic peptide of any one of SEQ ID NOS:1, 5, 7, 9, and 12 wherein said immunologically functional analogue comprises one or more of the following modifications when compared to the corresponding SCoV antigenic peptide:
  - a) a deletion of 10 amino acids or less at the N-terminus or C-terminus;
  - b) an addition of 15 amino acids or less at the N-terminus or C-terminus;
  - c) one or more conservative substitution;
  - d) an addition of a branched structure at the C-terminus;
  - e) covalent attachment to another moiety;

- f) an altered charge; and
- g) one or more conservative or non-conservative substitutions such that the sequence of said immunologically functional analogue is the sequence of a strain of SCoV other than the Tor2 isolate of SCoV.
- 12. (cancelled)
- 13. (cancelled)
- 14. (cancelled)